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# Putnam Small Cap Growth Fund

**Class Y: PSYGX Class A: PNSAX Class C: PNSCX Class R6: PLKGX** — **Growth |** Factsheet as of September 30, 2026

## Investment Overview

The fund seeks capital appreciation by investing mainly in common stocks of small U.S. companies, with a focus on growth stocks.

## Average Annual Total Returns (%)

| | Without Sales Charges | | | | | With Sales Charges | | | | | Inception |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1-Yr | 3-Yr | 5-Yr | 10-Yr | Inception | 1-Yr | 3-Yr | 5-Yr | 10-Yr | Inception | Date |
| Class Y | 6.85 | 17.80 | 6.13 | 14.16 | 11.61 | 6.85 | 17.80 | 6.13 | 14.16 | 11.61 | 12/30/1997 |
| Class A | 6.60 | 17.51 | 5.87 | 13.87 | 11.39 | 0.47 | 15.22 | 4.62 | 13.20 | 11.16 | 12/30/1997 |
| Class C | 5.79 | 16.63 | 5.07 | 13.19 | 11.16 | 4.79 | 16.63 | 5.07 | 13.19 | 11.16 | 12/30/1997 |
| Class R6 | 6.97 | 17.97 | 6.28 | 14.33 | 11.68 | 6.97 | 17.97 | 6.28 | 14.33 | 11.68 | 12/30/1997 |
| Benchmark | 12.05 | 17.55 | 4.72 | 9.90 | — | 12.05 | 17.55 | 4.72 | 9.90 | — | — |

## Cumulative Total Returns (% Without Sales Charge)

| | 3-Mo | YTD | 2025 | 2024 | 2023 | 2022 | 2021 | 2020 | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class Y | -15.06 | 9.22 | 9.18 | 23.30 | 23.18 | -27.92 | 14.42 | 48.02 | 37.97 | -2.31 | 20.51 | 8.77 |
| Class A | -15.11 | 9.03 | 8.91 | 22.98 | 22.87 | -28.10 | 14.13 | 47.65 | 37.66 | -2.58 | 20.19 | 8.50 |
| Class C | -15.28 | 8.40 | 8.10 | 22.07 | 21.96 | -28.64 | 13.27 | 46.53 | 36.61 | -3.29 | 19.29 | 7.68 |
| Class R6 | -15.04 | 9.31 | 9.34 | 23.48 | 23.38 | -27.82 | 14.56 | 48.24 | 38.15 | -2.13 | 20.72 | 8.95 |
| Benchmark | -9.39 | 10.71 | 13.01 | 15.15 | 18.66 | -26.36 | 2.83 | 34.63 | 28.48 | -9.31 | 22.17 | 11.32 |

***Performance data quoted represents past performance, which does not guarantee future results.*** *Current performance may be lower or higher than the figures shown. Principal value and investment returns will fluctuate, and investors' shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than the original cost. Performance would have been lower if fees had not been waived in various periods. Total returns assume the reinvestment of all distributions and the deduction of all fund expenses. Returns with sales charge reflect a deduction of the stated maximum sales charge. An investor cannot invest directly in an index, and unmanaged index returns do not reflect any fees, expenses or sales charges. Returns for periods of less than one year are not annualized. All classes of shares may not be available to all investors or through all distribution channels. For current month-end performance, please visit franklintempleton.com.*

The fund began offering Class Y shares on 11/3/2003, the fund began offering Class C shares on 3/18/2002, and the fund began offering Class R6 shares on 6/29/2015. Performance quotations have been calculated as follows: (a) Class Y periods prior to 11/3/2003 are based on the fund's Class A performance, which has not been adjusted for the lower operating expenses; had it been adjusted, performance would be higher; for Class C periods prior to 3/18/2002, a restated figure is used based on the fund's Class A performance; for Class R6 periods prior to 6/29/2015 are based on the fund's Class Y performance, which has not been adjusted for the lower operating expenses; had it been adjusted, performance would be higher; The restated performance for Class C was adjusted to take into account differences in class-specific operating expenses and maximum sales charges. (b) For periods after the share class offering, performance for the specific share class is used, reflecting the expenses and maximum sales charges applicable to that class. Class C share performance reflects conversion to class A shares after eight years.

## Share Class Details

| | | | Sales Charges (%) | | Expenses (%) | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | CUSIP | Ticker | Max | CDSC | Gross | Net |
| Class Y | 746763499 | PSYGX | 0.00 | — | 0.92 | 0.92 |
| Class A | 746763549 | PNSAX | 5.75 | — | 1.17 | 1.17 |
| Class C | 746763523 | PNSCX | 0.00 | 1.00 | 1.93 | 1.93 |
| Class R6 | 74676A519 | PLKGX | 0.00 | — | 0.76 | 0.76 |

The total annual operating expenses are as of the fund's prospectus available at the time of publication. Actual expenses may be higher and may impact portfolio returns. There is a 1% CDSC on any Class C shares you sell within 12 months of purchase. The fund's monthly base fee is increased or reduced by a performance adjustment as described in the prospectus.

## Morningstar Rating™

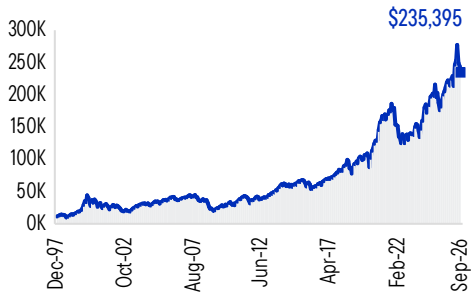
Overall Rating as of September 30, 2026

★★★★★ Class Y

As of 09/30/2026 the fund's Class Y shares received a 5 star overall Morningstar rating™, measuring risk-adjusted returns against 519, 497 and 406 Small Growth funds over the 3-, 5- and 10- year periods, respectively. A fund's overall rating is derived from a weighted average of the performance figures associated with its 3-, 5- and 10-year (if applicable) rating metrics. The number of funds in the category for the Overall Rating are listed under the 3-year period.

## Growth of $10,000

Class Y Shares—Inception through September 30, 2026
Excluding Effects of Sales Charges




## Fund Overview

| | |
|---|---|
| Dividend Frequency, if any | Annually |
| Morningstar Category | Small Growth |
| Lipper Classification | Small-Cap Growth Funds |
| Turnover (fiscal yr) | 83% |

## Benchmark(s)

Russell 2000 Growth Index

## Fund Characteristics

| | Fund |
|---|---|
| Total Net Assets | $2.85 Billion |
| Number of Issuers | 101 |
| Price to Earnings (12-Month Forward) | 28.19x |
| Price to Book | 5.72x |
| Average Market Cap (Millions USD) | $8,787 |

## Risk Statistics (3-Year—Class Y)

| | Fund |
|---|---|
| Beta | 0.93 |
| R-Squared | 0.87 |
| Sharpe Ratio | 0.64 |
| Standard Deviation (%) | 20.74 |
| Alpha (%) | 1.19 |
| Information Ratio | 0.03 |
| Tracking Error (%) | 7.65 |



Not FDIC Insured | No Bank Guarantee | May Lose Value

## Top Equity Issuers (% of Total)

| | Fund |
|---|---|
| DigitalOcean Holdings, Inc. | 2.54 |
| Halozyme Therapeutics, Inc. | 2.44 |
| Huron Consulting Group Inc. | 2.25 |
| RBC Bearings Incorporated | 2.19 |
| BrightSpring Health Services, Inc. | 2.02 |
| Semtech Corporation | 1.97 |
| Applied Industrial Technologies, Inc. | 1.95 |
| Medpace Holdings, Inc. | 1.76 |
| Onto Innovation Inc. | 1.73 |
| Covista Inc. | 1.71 |

## Sector Allocation (% of Total)

| | Fund | Benchmark |
|---|---|---|
| Health Care | 28.78 | 29.25 |
| Information Technology | 22.74 | 20.11 |
| Industrials | 21.41 | 15.78 |
| Financials | 7.76 | 9.73 |
| Consumer Discretionary | 7.31 | 8.63 |
| Energy | 4.45 | 5.59 |
| Consumer Staples | 2.18 | 1.67 |
| Materials | 2.12 | 4.32 |
| Other | 1.45 | 4.91 |
| Cash & Other Net Assets | 1.79 | 0.00 |

## Market Cap Breakdown (% of Equity) (USD)

| | Fund |
|---|---|
| 1-3 Billion | 9.42 |
| 3-6.5 Billion | 39.60 |
| >6.5 Billion | 50.98 |

### Portfolio Data Information

Holdings are provided for informational purposes only and should not be construed as a recommendation to purchase or sell any security.

## Portfolio Management

| | Years with Firm | Years of Experience |
|---|---|---|
| Bill Monroe, CFA | 14 | 30 |
| Tania Harsono, CFA | 11 | 15 |

## What should I know before investing?

**All investments involve risks, including possible loss of principal. Small- and mid-cap stocks** involve greater risks and volatility than large-cap stocks. The **investment style** may become out of favor, which may have a negative impact on performance. To the extent the portfolio invests in a **concentration of certain securities, regions or industries**, it is subject to increased volatility. **Active management** does not ensure gains or protect against market declines. The manager may consider **environmental, social and governance (ESG) criteria** in the research or investment process; however, ESG considerations may not be a determinative factor in security selection. In addition, the manager may not assess every investment for ESG criteria, and not every ESG factor may be identified or evaluated. These and other risks are discussed in the fund's prospectus.

### Glossary

**Beta:** A measure of the fund's volatility relative to the market, as represented by the stated Index. A beta greater than 1.00 indicates volatility greater than the market. **R-squared** measures the strength of the linear relationship between the fund and its benchmark. R-squared at 1 implies perfect linear relationship and zero implies no relationship exists. **Sharpe Ratio** refers to a risk-adjusted measure calculated using standard deviation and excess returns to determine reward per unit of risk. The higher the ratio, the greater the risk-adjusted performance. **Standard Deviation:** Measure of the degree to which a fund's return varies from the average of its previous returns. The larger the standard deviation, the greater the likelihood (and risk) that a fund's performance will fluctuate from the average return. **Alpha** is the annualized percentage difference between a portfolio's actual returns and its expected performance given its level of market risk, as measured by beta. **Information Ratio:** In investing terminology, the ratio of expected return to risk. Usually, this statistical technique is used to measure a manager's performance against a benchmark. This measure explicitly relates the degree by which an investment has beaten the benchmark to the consistency by which the investment has beaten the benchmark. **Tracking Error** measure of the deviation of the return of a fund compared to the return of a benchmark over a fixed period of time. Expressed as a percentage. The more passively the investment fund is managed, the smaller the tracking error. **Turnover** is a measure of the fund's trading activity which represents the portion of the fund's holdings that has changed over a twelve-month period through the fiscal year end. There is no assurance that the fund will maintain its current level of turnover. **Price to Earnings (12-month Forward):** A measure of the price to earnings ratio for a stock using the forecasted earnings for the next 12 months. For a portfolio, the value represents a weighted average of the stocks it holds. **Price to Book:** The price per share of a stock divided by its book value (i.e., net worth) per share. For a portfolio, the value represents a weighted average of the stocks it holds. **Weighted Average Market Capitalization:** A determination of a company's value, calculated by multiplying the total number of company stock shares outstanding by the price per share. For a portfolio, the value represents a weighted average based on the stocks held.

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The **Russell 2000 Growth Index** measures the performance of the small-cap growth segment of the U.S. equity universe.

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